

CONGRESS MEETS.

President Cleveland Sends in His Last Annual Message.

COL. JOHN R. FELLOWS DEAD.

Passes Away at His Home in New York To-Day.

A PROMINENT LAWYER AND POLITICIAN.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Congress met this morning at the usual hour. The first business was the reading of the President's message, which was most intently listened to. It was known beforehand that no extreme measures would be recommended in regard to Cuba. Another message dealing particularly with Cuban affairs is confidently looked for after the holidays. So this is not Cleveland's farewell message.

THE MESSAGE.

Some of Its Leading Features.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The main points of Cleveland's message are as follows:

THE RECENT ELECTION.

As representatives of the people in the legislative branch of their government you have assembled at a time when the strength and excellence of our free institutions and the fitness of our citizens to enjoy popular rule has again been so manifest. A political contest involving momentous consequences was fought with fervent enthusiasm and equaling aggressiveness so intense as to approach bitterness and passion has been waged throughout our land, and determined by the device of free and independent suffrage without disturbance of our tranquility or the least sign of weakness in our national structure.

THE AMERICAN SITUATION.

It would afford me great pleasure if I could assure the Congress that the disturbed condition of affairs in Asiatic Turkey had been less hideous and bloody. Our government at home and our minister in Constantinople have left nothing untried to protect our missionaries in the Ottoman Empire.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

The insurrection in Cuba still continues. It is difficult to perceive that any progress has been made towards the pacification of the island or that the situation of affairs as depicted in my last annual message has in the least improved. If the determination of Spain to put down the insurrection seems to be strengthened with the lapse of time and is evidenced by her maintaining devotion of largely increased military and naval forces to the task, there is no reason to believe that the insurgents have gained in spirit of numbers, character and resources. In pursuance of general orders Spanish guerrillas are now being withdrawn from plantations and rural population required to concentrate in the towns. The Spanish force would seem to be fast diminishing and that none is there is a speedy and radical change in existing conditions, it will soon disappear altogether. The spectacle of the utter ruin of an adjoining country, by nature one of the most fertile and charming on the globe, would engage the serious attention of the government and people of the United States under any circumstances.

It is estimated that from thirty to sixty millions of American capital is invested in the island. The United States finds itself increasingly involved in the present contest in many ways, both pecuniary and costly. Cuban residents in this country and promote the insurrection. Plans have also been taken out of circulation papers and the government is called on to protect them as American citizens.

When the inability of Spain to deal successfully with the insurrection has become manifest, and it is demonstrated that her sovereignty is again in Cuba for all purposes of its rightful existence and when a hopeless struggle for its restoration has degenerated into a strife which means nothing more than the useless sacrifice of human life and the utter destruction of the very subject-matter of the conflict a situation will be presented in which our obligations to the sovereignty of Spain will be superseded by superior obligations which we can hardly hesitate to recognize and discharge. Unless we face the contingencies suggested or the situation is very soon imperatively changed we will continue in the line of conduct heretofore exhibiting our obedience to the requirement of public law and our respect for the duty enjoined upon us by the position we occupy in the family of nations.

THE VENEZUELAN QUESTION.

The Venezuelan boundary question has seemed to be a matter of difference between England and the United States. Their governments have agreed on a basis of provisions of a treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela, submitting the whole controversy to arbitration.

THE SEA QUESTION.

We have during the last year labored against unfavorable conditions

to secure better preservation of seal life in the Behring Sea. Both the United States and Great Britain have lately dispatched commissioners to these waters to study the habits and conditions of the seal herd and the causes of their rapid decrease.

PUBLIC EXPENDITURES.

The secretary of the treasury reports that during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, the receipts of the government from all sources amounted to \$499,475,408.76. During the same period its expenditures were \$434,678,654.48. The excess of expenditures over receipts thus amounting \$64,796,754.28. The ordinary expenditures during the year were \$4,015,852.31, less than during the preceding fiscal year. Of the receipts mentioned there were derived from customs the sum of \$160,021,751.67 and from internal revenue \$248,430,626.56. The receipts from customs show an increase of \$7,863,134.22 over those from the same source for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1895, and the receipts from internal revenue an increase of \$6,584,837.91.

IMMIGRATION.

The number of immigrants that arrived in the United States during the fiscal year was 343,267, of whom 340,468 were permitted to land, 2799 being debarred upon the various grounds prescribed by law, returned to the countries from whence they came at the expense of the steamship companies who brought them. The increase in immigration over the preceding year amounted to 84,731, and it is estimated the money brought with them amounted to \$5,000,000.

COAST DEFENSE.

During the past year rapid progress has been made toward the completion of the scheme adopted for the erection and armament of fortifications along our sea coast while equal progress has been made in providing the material for submarine defense in connection with these works.

Death of Colonel Fellow.

New York, Dec. 7.—Col. John R. Fellows died at his home today. He has been sick for several days. The cause of his death was cancer of the stomach. The deceased had been district attorney for the state of New York and a member of congress.

SUN'S X-RAYS.

It "Tips" the Next City Officers.

An Election Will Be Held To-Night By the Council.

The council meets tonight, and the city officers to be elected will be chosen by the council.

The following gentlemen are expected by the Six for the respective places:
 Look-Keepers—Harry Kellar, License Collector—J. A. James, Street Inspector—J. W. Cosby, Chain Gang Boss—John Evans, City Physician—Dr. Harry W. Hanson.
 Market Master—John Smith, City Weigher—E. W. Pratt, Chief of Fire Department—Chas. Voight.

Mayor Yeiser stated to a Six reporter this forenoon that tonight he would appoint the police officers if the council was willing. "So far as I know," he stated, "there will be no changes in the force."

TO MEET HER LOVER.

Romantic Action of a Young Princeton Belle.

Went to St. Louis to Be Married—Passed Through Paducah.

Miss Nanette Sigler, one of the most prominent young society belles of Princeton, Ky., arrived in the city on the 12:10 train today, accompanied by the St. Louis, and one of the most popular officials in St. Louis.

Upon her arrival there tonight she will be met by Mr. W. P. Kirksey, the assistant general freight agent of the M. & T. railroad, and one of the most popular officials in St. Louis.

The young lady was met at the depot by friends here and escorted to the other train. She stated that she had run away from home to meet her lover because of parental objection. Her relatives do not know that she has gone. Tonight the couple will be married in St. Louis, and will reside there hereafter.

AFTER POSTOFFICE THIEVES.

Deputy United States Marshal Bullington Out.

Passed Down This Morning En Route to Callaway County.

Deputy United States Marshal left the city this morning for Brown's Grove, Callaway county, armed with a warrant for the arrest of the two Sanders boys and a man named Garbow, charged with robbing the post office at Brown's Grove on November 11th. The case has been worked up by the U. S. officers, and the men will doubtless be arrested today.

They secured some stamps, and a small amount of money.

The Lutheran League will give a banquet and supper at Milam's building Wednesday, December 9th, everybody invited.

THE COURTS.

Grand Jury Empaneled This Morning.

CIRCUIT COURT AT SMITHLAND.

Quarterly Court in Session Also—Other Court News.

LIVELY ABOUT THE COURT HOUSE.

CIRCUIT COURT BEGINS.

The December term of circuit court, which will be of unwonted importance, began Monday. The court house was lively all over, and such activity has not been visible there for many a day.

On the docket are several cases of great importance, included in which are the cases against Dr. Reuben Barrows, charged with practicing a criminal operation upon Miss Adams, of near Mason's Mill, and throwing the body of the infant into Massac creek; and against Dick Clements, charged with rape. Both these were indicted at the September term of court and Clements was tried, receiving twenty years. On the last night of court, however, he was granted a new trial.

Some of the most important cases are yet to be considered by the grand jury, which was today impaneled as follows:

J. K. Bondurant, W. A. Wickliffe, J. W. Bell, W. C. Carnell, J. W. Ogilvie, F. M. Boatright, Warren Hunt, Jas. B. McDaniel, J. J. Guthrie, S. A. Harkey, Geo. N. Neighbors and J. W. Wilson.

Saeriff Holland and deputies were sworn.

Report of Master Commissioner Puryear was received.

The grand jurors were impaneled as follows, and instructed by Judge Bishop, setting down to work this afternoon.

In the morning the petit jury will be impaneled, and the case against Della Allen, Sheldrick Gills and Ed. Owens, for malicious shooting, be tried.

Quarterly Court.

Quarterly court was in session today, but nothing of importance was done. Judge Thomas, in several garnishee cases, decided that the money should be released, as under the exemption law. A number of civil cases are now on trial.

Court at Smithland.

Today circuit court convened at Smithland, Livingston county. John Mahan, who killed Jim Watson at Lela in 1894, will be tried for murder. He was captured a month or two ago near Bardwell by Marshal Richardson, assisted by Marshall McNutt, of Mayfield. Detective J. K. Greer, of the city, claims the credit of working up the case, and after leaving Mahan near Mayfield sent a bench warrant to Marshall McNutt. Mahan went to Bardwell and Marshal Richardson was notified, arresting him near Cairo. Both officers refused to turn him over to Detective Greer, and when they found that they could not collect the reward of \$200, being officers, had a man named Green present the prisoner and take a receipt for him. Green will make a motion today to secure the \$200 reward, but Detective Greer has forewarned him with an injunction suit, enjoining the court from paying the reward. The case will be hotly contested.

COURT AT METROPOLIS.

The case against John Lemley and Bart and Ed Lynn, charged with killing Ben Ladd at Brooklyn last May, is on trial at Metropolis today. When it is finished the case against Town Marshal Phil Lynn will be taken up.

TWO ARRESTED.

Some of the Leyhe Fleet Darkies in Trouble.

One Charged With Getting Money By False Pretenses, the Other With Petty Larceny.

Luther Lewis, colored, was arrested this morning before daylight by Officer Sencer and Ullman on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses in going to Dick Fargo, colored, and getting \$2 upon the representation that he had money due him by the captain of the Leyhe fleet.

M. Mason, another employee of the Leyhe boats, which are now in winter quarters, was arrested by the same officers for stealing a lantern off the boat. All of them employed on the fleet, and the case will continue this morning until a warrant could be issued.

BROKEN.

This morning, just before day, a cold attempt was made to burglarize the residence of Squire Hump Johnson, the well known postmaster and tobacco merchant at Sharpe.

A colored woman employed as cook was the first one to get up, and as she entered the kitchen to prepare breakfast, she was seized by a big, burly negro, who was going through the house in a systematic manner. The

woman screamed, and as she did so the negro ran out.

It is probable that the burglar did not have sufficient time to get in his work, as nothing of any value was missed.

He was traced about five miles in the direction of Paducah, where his trail was lost.

"CHEWED DE RAG."

And Then Took Out the Front Window.

John Gossett, colored, was charged with attempting to steal a shirt from the clothing store at Second and Broadway this morning in Judge Sanders' court.

Gossett said he was employed to carry some goods for the proprietor and that when the latter paid him it was only 10 cents, when it should have been a quarter.

He "chewed de rag" about it, he said, until the proprietor struck him in the jaw, and afterwards he came to the conclusion that the only thing he could do was to steal a shirt to get even. The proprietor detected him in the act, and in his effort to prevent the darkey from stealing a dollar shirt ran him out a \$1.80 window glass. Gossett's hand was cut, and J. W. Sanders, as he entered the order in his book holding Gossett over to the circuit court, remarked "When you are tried you will be sentenced, and then you can 'chew de rag' in jail as much as you wish."

LITTLE LOCALS.

A Few Things Not Noticed Elsewhere.

Columbian Club Goes to Metropolis—Weddings and Announcements.

The Columbian Dramatic Club has at last decided on a date for presenting its two bills, "Lend me Five Shillings," and "Among the Breakers," at Metropolis. It will go down next Friday evening, accompanied by a crowd of Paducah people, and give a performance for the benefit of the new St. Rose Catholic church, of that city. The people of Metropolis may expect a treat.

The fire committee of the council, late Saturday afternoon, accepted the new fire station at Fourth and Elizabeth streets, and tonight the council will ratify its action. Contractor Katterjohn has performed a quick and excellent piece of work.

Dr. W. T. Graves is mourning the loss of another child. George, his four-year-old son, died Saturday afternoon of diphtheria, after a brief illness.

Last summer Dr. Graves lost another child.

Mr. Jim Griffin went up to Dyersburg Saturday night to notify relatives, and the funeral took place yesterday afternoon, the burial being at Mt. Carmel.

Three handsome new brick houses are to be erected at Ninth and Jefferson streets by Rev. W. E. Cave, of the First Presbyterian church. Baldwin & Son secured the contract for \$2250 cash.

Saturday afternoon John Anderson, of Grahamville, was warranted for cattle stealing, an alleged accessory of Lee Thompson, who has already been arrested. Anderson is still at large.

Cards have been issued to the marriage of Miss Jessie Maxwell, of Cayce, Ky., to Mr. A. B. Cox, of the city. The wedding will take place on the 23d of December, at Cayce.

Miss Emma Graf and Mr. George Miller and Miss Essie Watson and Mr. Chas. Parker, of Mechanicsburg, eloped to Metropolis Saturday afternoon, and were married, returning Saturday night.

Yesterday was prolific of weddings in Beason, Marshall county. At 10 o'clock a. m. Mr. Lay Hiett and Miss Clara Bourland were married. At 6 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Davie Cooksie and Mr. Louis Lamb, and Miss Maudie Grace and Mr. H. O. Hamilton were united.

BIG COSTS.

An interesting case was tried Saturday before Justice Anderson at Grahamville.

Sam Moore, some time since, was employed on the farm of Chas. Pearce. After the account was made out Moore claimed that Pearce owed him \$3.75, while the latter claimed it was only \$2.25. They finally had appraisers appointed, who awarded Moore \$3.50, splitting the difference. Pearce still objected and the case was tried. Judgment was rendered and he secured a new trial and change of venue. The case was tried again Saturday and Pearce lost again. The costs have so far amounted to \$60, and may go higher, yet the defendant does not seem satisfied.

ANGRY AMAZONS.

Lou Coleman Struck With a Brick.

Lou Coleman and Mira Tansy, two colored residents of Campbell street, engaged in a fight yesterday afternoon and the Coleman woman was struck on the jaw with a brick.

That portion of her anatomy was so sore today that she was unable to appear in court and the case was continued.

SLICK CITIZENS.

They Worked a Baking Powder Racket.

NOW THEY ARE IN JAIL.

They Filled Orders Taken By Another Man's Agent.

THE CASE CONTINUED TODAY.

Four well dressed young men, beardless and shrewd, adorned "sinners' sent" in Judge Sanders' court this forenoon. They are: Ed. Gasbo, J. W. Gasbo, A. T. Butler and H. W. Brown, of Indiana. They were arrested Saturday night on a shanty boat at the foot of Madison street by Chief Hall and Officers Singery and Orr, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, and were yesterday transferred to the jail. If trustworthy information be true, a slick scheme perpetrated by this coterie of confederates has been exposed by the police. They are charged with obtaining money from various women in the city under pretense of filling orders taken by three young men, John Byng, Lloyd Baker and Carl Brower, for "Justice" baking powder.

About ten days ago W. J. Higley came to the city from Wabash, Ind., representing the Justice Baking Powder Co. He secured the endorsement of some of the ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian church upon promise of delivering to them, free of charge, upon the sale of 100 cans of the baking powder, a set of dishes to be used in giving church suppers. The young men took orders for about eighty cans, which were to be delivered Friday. They were to receive twenty cents out of fifty cents for each can delivered, and when they started out Friday to deliver the goods, accompanied by Higley, they were surprised to ascertain that every can had been delivered, and the money collected the day before.

The baking powder, however, was another brand, the "Progress." The discomfiture of the young men soon waxed into indignation, and they resolved to discover who had defrauded them before night.

Higley assured them that he had nothing to do with the imposition, and vouchsafed the explanation that perhaps the other men knew nothing about where his agents had taken orders, simply going to each house and saying that they had come to deliver the baking powder, and if the lady claimed to have ordered none, to apologize and say a mistake had been made. At a great many of the houses the purchaser was told that the young man who took her order was ill, and that he was detailed to deliver the goods instead.

The young men had evidently perfected their scheme well, for they called the names, in several instances, of Higley's agents, claiming they were ill.

Saturday young Mr. Byng was driving down Second street, when he saw the head of one of the young men protruding from a shanty boat at the foot of Madison street, and presently the faces of two more were disclosed to view. He recognized them by the descriptions that had been given, and going before Judge

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Men's Heavy Derby Hibbed Underwear—Tab. Brown and Blue. 50c.	Men's Suits \$7.50	Overcoats \$8.40	Men's Alpine Hosiery Gray, brown and black. They have wide \$1.00
Shirts have double ribbed collars and cuffs. Your choice for one a garment.	Single breasted, square cut suits, heavy weights in plaid and check, hatteries, lined and silk necks, guaranteed all wool and fast col- ors. 30 styles at \$2.50 a suit.	Black and black kersey overcoats, cut regular, made with velvet col- lars, Italian lined and piped, silk sleeve lined. Your choice and fit for \$8.40.	We have a line of "Har- ris" Cashmere Pants at \$2.50

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